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FOR OES PLEASE CALL AND INFORM STROTHER/EPA

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SENV, UK, NO

SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF EPA/COAST GUARD/USGS TEAM
TO SURVEY NORTH SEA OIL OPERATIONS

REF: STATE 183705

1. OUR INITIAL COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS RE PROPOSED VISIT OF NINE USCG/USGS/EPA OFFICIALS TO LONDON AND ABERDEEN FOLLOW.
2. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUBJECTS LISTED PARA 3 IS DIVIDED AMONG SEVERAL AGENCIES, NECESSITATING SERIES OF APPOINTMENTS AUGUST 18. WE ARE NOT YET SURE WHO WILL BE AVAILABLE. AUGUST IS VACATION MONTH AND MANY OFFICIALS ARE AWAY. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT WILL ATTEMPT TO COORDINATE MEETINGS AND HAS SUGGESTED IT MAY BE BEST FOR TEAM TO SPEND 18 AND 19 IN LONDON. ABERDEEN MEETINGS WILL HAVE TO BE ARRANGED WITH PRIVATE OIL COMPANIES AND WE ARE EXPLORING UTILITY OF THIS VISIT WITH THEM.
3. WE HAVE RESERVED 9 SINGLES FOR NIGHTS AUGUST 16-18 AT EUROPA HOTEL AND ARE ATTEMPTING TO MAKE ABERDEEN RESERVATIONS.

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4. AMCONGEN EDINBURGH SHOULD BE INCLUDED AS INFO

ADDRESSEE ON FUTURE MESSAGES. AS CLASSIFIED CABLES
ARE POUCHED TO EDINBURGH, SUGGEST DECLASSIFICATION OF
REFTEL AND FUTURE EXCHANGE BY UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGES.

5. WILL BE HAPPY TO MAKE COMMERCIAL FLIGHT RESERVA-
TIONS, AND TO TRY TO CHARTER HELICOPTER FOR FLIGHT TO
EKOFISK OR LEMAN BANK FIELD AS SOON AS OSLO CONFIRMS
ARRANGEMENTS. TO DO THIS, HOWEVER, WE WILL REQUIRE
FISCAL DATA SOONEST.

6. CONTROL OFFICER IN LONDON WILL BE DENNIS SANDBERG.
ASSUME STROTHER WILL BE CONTACT IN GROUP WITH WHOM
WE CAN ARRANGE ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS.

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